# 2. Prime Number Checker

Write a function that checks if a given number is prime.

- Function prototype: prime (number)
- Using the Prime Class

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└$ cat 2-main.rb
require relative '2-prime'
puts prime(5)
puts prime(6)
puts prime(7)
puts prime(8)
puts prime(9)
puts prime(10)
puts prime (101)
(imen⊕hbtn-lab)-[.../scripting cyber/0x00-ruby scripting]
└$ ruby 2-main.rb
true
false
true
false
false
false
true
```

### **Full Code Explanation:**

```
# 2-prime.rb

require 'prime' # Import the Prime class from Ruby's standard library

def prime(number)
   Prime.prime?(number) # Use the prime? method from the Prime class to check primality
end
```

## 1. require 'prime'

- This line imports the prime module from Ruby's standard library, which provides functionality related to prime numbers.
- The Prime class in this module has methods that allow you to check if a number is prime
   (prime?), generate prime numbers, and perform other prime-related tasks.
- Without this line, you wouldn't be able to use the Prime class or its methods in your script.

#### 2. def prime(number)

- This line defines a **method** named prime that accepts a single argument, number. This method will be used to check if the given number is prime or not.
- def is the keyword used to define methods in Ruby.

#### 3. Prime.prime?(number)

- Prime is a class that contains methods related to prime numbers. The prime? method is used to check if a number is prime.
- prime? is a built-in method that returns:
  - true if the number is prime.
  - o false if the number is not prime (i.e., if it's composite or 1).
- This method performs a primality test on the given <code>number</code> and returns the result.

#### 4. end

- This marks the end of the prime method definition. Every method in Ruby must be closed with the end keyword.
- require 'prime': Makes the Prime class available in the script.
- def prime (number): Defines a method called prime that takes number as an argument.
- Prime.prime? (number): Checks if the given number is prime using the prime? method from the Prime class.
- end: Closes the method definition.

#### **Example of How It Works:**

- If you call prime (7), the method will check if 7 is prime. Since 7 is prime, the method will return true.
- If you call prime (6), it will return false, as 6 is not prime (it's divisible by 1, 2, 3, and 6).

#### Example Usage in 2-main.rb:

```
require_relative '2-prime'

puts prime(5)  # true, since 5 is prime

puts prime(6)  # false, since 6 is not prime
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puts prime(7) # true, since 7 is prime
puts prime(8) # false, since 8 is not prime
puts prime(9) # false, since 9 is not prime
puts prime(10) # false, since 10 is not prime
puts prime(101) # true, since 101 is prime
```

When you run this script, it will output:

```
true
false
true
false
false
false
false
true
```

This script checks if each number is prime and prints true or false based on the result.